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STRONG QUAKES HIT JAPAN, TWO DEAD, NUCLEAR PLANTS SAFE

An earthquake of magnitude 6 hit southwestern Japan, bringing down some buildings and injuring dozens of people, local media reported, but the nuclear regulator reported no problems at power plants. The initial quake struck 7 miles east of the city of Kumamoto, the U.S. Geological Survey reported. It said the magnitude was 6.2 but later revised it down. Japanese public broadcaster NHK said the quake registered 6.4. There was no tsunami warning, but Japan's chief government spokesman, Yoshihide Suga, said several buildings had collapsed. He gave no more details. "We intend to do the utmost to grasp the situation," Prime Minister Shinzo Abe told reporters. The Kyodo news agency reported that around 40 people were being treated at a hospital in Kumamoto city, some of them seriously injured. REUTERS

MICROSOFT SUES U.S. GOVERNMENT OVER DATA REQUESTS

Microsoft has sued the U.S. government for the right to tell its customers when a federal agency is looking at their emails, the latest in a series of clashes over privacy between the technology industry and Washington. The lawsuit, filed on Wednesday in federal court in the Western District of Washington, argues that the government is violating the U.S. Constitution by preventing Microsoft from notifying thousands of customers about government requests for their emails and other documents. The U.S. Department of Justice did not immediately respond to a request to comment. The government's actions contravene the Fourth Amendment, which establishes the right for people and businesses to know if the government searches or seizes their property, the suit argues, and the First Amendment right to free speech. REUTERS

A still from the video LEAH KAUFFMAN

'Bernie Bae' getting hot around the Web

Local woman's "Bernie Bae" Bernie Sanders pop video is going viral much like her "Crush on Obama" video did in 2006.

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From the loins of The Lonely Island's one-hit-wonder, "Dick in a Box," spawned Philadelphia native Leah Kauffman's own "Box in a Box" parody spinoff, and thereby an offspring of viral music videos that have captured millions of Americans' attentions since 2006.

Kauffman has amassed more than 26 million views on YouTube for her satirical "Crush on Obama" video, which she describes as a "Mariah Carey-esque ballad."

Now, Kauffman is back with yet another viral pop video, this time in support of Bernie Sanders, and it, too, was made right here in Philadelphia.

A 2008 graduate of Temple University and a journalism-degree holder, Kauffman has spent many years in journalism, having spent time at Philly.com and Phillyvoice.com. She's now the director of content strategy for 50onRed, an ad agency in West Philly.

Kauffman's "Bernie Bae" music video depicts about a dozen local millennials donning "Feel the Bern" and "Bernie Bae" T-shirts and apparel while dancing to an original, catchy pop tune.

"We backed Obama from the start. We wanted change and hope, but then it fell apart. I was feeling hopeless and so cynical. Now you've got me focused. Bernie, you're a miracle," the song begins.

"Was gonna vote Hillary — she's not feeling real to me. Won't vote O'Malley. Honestly, who is he?"

In 2007, Kauffman gained notoriety for her "I Got A Crush…on Obama" Internet video, featuring Pennsylvania model and actress Amber Lee Ettinger. In the video, produced by Barely Political.com, Ettinger is seen seductively lip-synching her desire for President Obama, who's pictured shirtless and running on a beach.

"I was already an Obama supporter, and I created this character who was physically and intellectually attracted to Barack Obama," said Kauffman. "I then put it against this Mariah Carey-esque ballad."

In 2012, Kauffman admitted she still did still have a crush on Obama, and did recap of everything that had transpired politically over the last four years of his presidency. She called the video, "Still Got a Crush on Obama."

"There had to be a new candidate to support. That's how Bernie Bae came to fruition," she said.

"I was really attracted to Bernie's guts. He really says what he means and also I was fascinated by the fact that all of his contributions to his campaign have been from small individual supporters. I found that unusual, and the fact most of my peers are also Bernie supports, really inspired me to do the video."

Kauffman said her current work at 50onRed advertising agency allows her a lot more freedom in her off time.

"In the past, I was employed in the newspapers, and they didn't like the way I was expressing myself," she said.

"News organizations can't have opinions, when, naturally, they [do]. This experience was much more enjoyable and freeing for me."

Kauffman said all the participants in the video were volunteers and a local street art designer by the name of Brooks Bell created the mural the dancers are jiving in front of at 4th and Bainbridge streets. Kauffman said she sees no monetary returns from her videos.

"All that was given to the video shoot was because of genuine support of Bernie Sanders," she said.

"This video really is Philadelphia for Bernie, whereas the other ones were concepts of characters. This was more of a pep rally."

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Hundreds of protestors shut down Broad Street between City Hall and Temple University. CHARLES MOSTOLLER

'Day of Rage' shuts down part of Philly

A diverse group of activists united Thursday afternoon for a massive protest.

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A diverse range of activists came together for a massive march on Broad Street Thursday afternoon that brought the city to a standstill.

From college students to senior citizens and workers, the march was organized as part of a "Day of Rage" event that combined the Stadium Stompers movement against Temple University's football stadium with Black Lives Matter, the Fight for 15 minimum wage movement and local unions.

Many Temple students walked out of classes at 2 p.m. to join at the Bell Tower and began the march down Broad Street to City Hall, which they circled before blocking off Broad and Arch streets where participants gave speeches about their shared goals.

One of the main objectives of protesters was to voice their opposition to a proposed Temple University on-campus football stadium, with a price tag of $120 million, pitched by Temple University president Neil Theobald as a way to lift the fortunes of the neighborhood around Temple, and which has been approved by the school's board of trustees.

"Teachers feel like a stadium in North Philly would displace a lot of students," said Jessica Way, a teacher at Franklin Learning Center and member of the Caucus of Working Educators, part of the Philadelphia Federation of Teachers, "We're also out here for a $15 minimum wage. We're trying to promote what is in the best interest of our students."

Many protesters were Temple students opposed to the stadium.

"Theobald didn't ask the community if they wanted a stadium, nor did he give any indication about how it would fit logistically, or where parking would go," said Elias Gonzalez, 21, a senior at Temple, referring to the Temple president. "He just said it would bring jobs that pay $7.25, which is another reason we're out here, to get a $15 minimum wage."

Helen Reddy, 72, from the Strawberry Mansion area, also opposes the stadium. "If Temple builds a stadium, people are gonna lose their homes," Reddy said. "Then they're gonna come down and push us all out. They need to build the community back up."

Organizers said the diversity of the protest demonstrates its strength.

"What's great about this is its community members and students side-by-side — we have 80-year-old women with canes protesting," said Chuck Cannon, a Temple grad and organizer with Stadium Stompers. "We've shut down Broad Street for a few hours, we're making a big splash. The university has to hear this."

The Broad Street march followed other protests around Philly throughout the day, including a Black Lives Matter protest early Thursday that blocked 4th and Market and ended in three arrests.

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Some of the suspects had tattoos on their hands and arms that read phrases like "TNT" and "No Tellin."
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DA: 15 gang members charged with murder, gun violence

The DA charged the "TNT" gang with a slew of offenses Thursday, ranging from murder to aggravated assault.

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Fifteen members of North Philly's violent TNT gang have been arrested and charged with murder, gun violations, aggravated assault and conspiracy for their roles in ongoing feuds and gun battles with rival gangs, Philadelphia District Attorney Seth Williams said Thursday.

After a lengthy investigation conducted by the Gun Violence Task Force — a joint effort by the DA's office and the Office of the Attorney General — authorities were able to net 15 suspects who Williams said had terrorized the people of North Philly between February and June of 2014.

Members of the group who identified themselves as "TNT," which stands for the Tenth and Thompson (streets) gang, allegedly began a violent feud with another rival organization by the name of "Dirty Block," over turf, money, drugs and guns. Investigators were able to identify these members through their social media accounts, tattoos and clothing.

Between February and June of 2014, nine shootouts occurred that resulted in the seizures of 10 illegal firearms. Williams said just about every gang member had a gang-affiliated tattoo on his body, and many sent out Tweets and other social media notifications that reportedly incriminated themselves. In one case, a defendant wrote on Twitter, "We both was down homicide we ain't say a word! #NoTelling #Militant."

"Ultimately, there were 13 acts of violence," said Williams.

"These acts and this gang were just ruthless. Their callousness — they would joke, 'We had a party last night,' in reference to having shot someone. If someone passed 'the test,' it meant they shot someone at least six times."

Curshawn Banks, 27, and Evette Brooks, 35, were charged with murder and criminal conspiracy. Rashad Holcomb, 28, was charged with murder, criminal conspiracy, possession of a prohibited firearm, carrying a firearm without license and possession of an instrument of crime. Maurice Muldrow, 27, is charged with attempted murder, criminal conspiracy, aggravated assault, carrying a firearm without a license and possession of an instrument of crime. Christopher McClutchen, 23, and Hamin Williams, Jr., are charged with criminal conspiracy, possession of a prohibited firearm and carrying a firearm without a license, and those charged with criminal conspiracy are as follows: Samir Akines, 32, Amir Crippen, 22, Kareem Grant, 26, Rashad Hall, 21, Vincent McClenney, 28, Gregory Nash, 28, Tyreese Scott, 29, Ali Williams, 27, and Hamin Williams, Sr., 38.

"This is a historic case and something we've never tried before here at the district attorney's office," said Williams.

"It's something where we created community-based prosecution, where our DAs are assigned geographically now. That's allowed us to work in better cooperation and collaboration with the police, because they're assigned geographically, by district, and in six divisions across the city."

All 15 defendants were in custody Thursday and will soon appear in court for their preliminary hearings.

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RENEGING BEST DESCRIBES MAYOR'S FIRST 100 DAYS

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If a player "reneges" in a game of spades, he breaks the rules by playing off suit when he should have followed suit. If he gets caught, he has to give up the books he's already won.

Spades is a card game that's serious business in the black community — the rules are followed religiously. I have seen families divided if a partner reneges. One who reneges is to be shamed, called to the floor and encouraged to improve his strategy.

In Philadelphia politics, reneging is nothing new. And in the first 100 days of his tenure, Mayor Jim Kenney is definitely guilty of it.

After building a campaign on promises to improve the city's race issues, he's failed to do that much even in-house. His top appointees are mainly young white women; there isn't the slightest suggestion of the diversity promise that helped get him elected.

And while it's admirable that he appointed Blanche Carney, the first female prison commissioner and a black woman, he replaced our black fire commissioner, Derrick Sawyer, for white Virginia transplant Adam Thiel.

Such give-and-take would be less noticeable if he'd kept his word on the police department's "stop-and-frisk" measures. During his campaign, Kenney promised to end the controversial practice — but once elected, he gave a more nuanced statement that was far less clear to the African-Americans and Latinos who voted for him. The American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania has since criticized the police department for its inability to properly address the matter, and many are growing skeptical of the mayor's ability to actually improve it.

And an effort to fund universal pre-K by increasing soda taxes that would disproportionately affect working-class black families has raised the ire of unions and invited the criticism of policy wonks — according to BillyPenn.com, City Finance Director Rob Dubow said a soda tax would hit poor neighborhoods the hardest, a point made earlier by experts, one of whom called the tax "regressive" and "imperfect."

You can argue that many major institutions, such as the University of Pennsylvania, aren't paying their fair share to the city. But nothing feels more unjust than overtaxing the poor to provide for all.

Overall, these first 100 days have been a reneging of expectations and promises. Jim Kenney already had what it took to win over a vast majority of black voters to clinch the election. Now he is trying to play these same supporters with the same old guarantees and proposals so many have used before.

This is what political reneging looks like. The only question now is, what's the penalty? How will Philadelphians, especially those from marginalized communities, hold him accountable?

In spades, you have to surrender the books you've won. But in politics, only time will tell.

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Judge weighs bid to dismiss sex abuse claim against Cosby

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Cosby has asserted that Judy Huth's case against him grew out of a failed extortion attempt.

Lawyers for comedian Bill Cosby and a woman accusing him of sexually abusing her as a child were due to face off in a California courtroom on Thursday over a defense bid to dismiss her lawsuit for reasons related to the statute of limitations.

Cosby, 78, whose career and public image as the model American family man have been shattered by mounting allegations of sexual misconduct, lost a previous bid to fend off the same lawsuit on similar grounds last year.

His accuser in that case, Judy Huth, now in her 50s, sued Cosby in December 2014, alleging that he plied her with alcohol and molested her during an encounter at the Playboy Mansion in Los Angeles in 1974, when she was 15.

Cosby has called Huth's account a fabrication and asserted that her case against him grew out of a failed extortion attempt.

Huth is one more than 50 women who have come forward over the past two years to publicly accuse Cosby of rape and other forms of sexual abuse. Most involve incidents said to have occurred a decade ago or more, too long to be criminally prosecuted or even litigated in civil court.

But authorities in Pennsylvania charged the entertainer in December with sexually assaulting a woman in 2005. And at least nine other women — eight of them in Massachusetts — are currently suing Cosby for defamation, claiming they were smeared by his public assertions that their allegations of sexual wrongdoing were false.

Huth, however, filed her suit under a California law allowing victims of childhood abuse to sue beyond the statute of limitations if, within the last three years, they have realized they suffered from psychological damage that previously was repressed.

Cosby's lawyers have countered that Huth's claim fails to meet that test, saying she "unsuccessfully tried to sell her story to the tabloids nearly a decade ago."

"This fact belies the allegations in the lawsuit that [Huth] only just discovered the basis for her claims within the past three years," defense lawyers argued in their court filing.

Cosby's lawyers also have sought dismissal of Huth's complaint on grounds that she lacked the required certification from mental health professionals to support her claims. REUTERS

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Montgomery County 'neighbor from hell' gets prison for arson

A Lower Pottsgrove woman was sentenced to 10 to 20 years in prison after being convicted of torching the house of a police detective who lived next door.

Montgomery County Common Pleas Judge Gary S. Silow handed down the prison sentence to Donna Krupp on Thursday, calling her "the neighbor from hell," Philly.com reported. Krupp was silent during the proceedings.

"What kind of person does something so violent, so twisted?" Judge Silow asked during the sentencing, Philly.com added.

In November, Krupp was convicted of setting fire to the home of Ernie Morris, a police detective who lived next door, the Intelligencer reported. Officials alleged that Krupp set the fire in retaliation for her son's legal problems.

Krupp PROVIDED

"All I ever tried to do ever was help that woman and her family," Morris, speaking in court during the sentencing, was quoted by Philly.com. "What about the next police officer she comes in contact with?"

Morris and his family were on vacation at the time of the fire, which destroyed the house and killed the family's 18-year-old cat Bandit, the Intelligencer added.

Krupp has maintained her innocence and has said that the day another person set the fire was "the beginning of hell" for her, according to Philly.com

"I don't understand how I can be made out to be a monster by people who don't even know me," Krupp was quoted by Philly.com.

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With plenty of punch, central bankers wait for the world to drink

Credit growth has flat-lined and an array of metrics indicate the world has become a more cautious place.

Central bankers usually worry about when to remove the punch bowl of cheap finance but when they gather in Washington, D.C., this week they will face a different problem: how to force the world to drink.

Amid a flood of cheap money and a historic experiment with negative interest rates, households, corporations and banks in the developed world have turned their backs on borrowing.

In the U.S., households are paying down mortgages instead of borrowing against homes to fund consumption, altering behavior that arguably helped fuel the 2007 financial crisis but that also contributed to economic growth. A Chicago Federal Reserve Bank composite index of household, bank and corporate leverage has been below average for nearly four years.

European and U.S. companies are socking away cash and the Bank of Japan's descent into negative rates has yet to boost consumption, corporate investment, or even faith in an economic rebound.

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Even as global liquidity expands, the appetite for it remains moribund.

"You can't create demand from thin air. What's needed is to create an environment in which companies and households feel confident to spend," said a senior Japanese policymaker directly involved in Group of 20 negotiations that will continue in Washington this week.

The policymakers assembled in Washington will be focused on how to inflate demand. Along with more cautious consumers and companies in developed nations, China is in retreat and likely to scale down investment and purchases of raw materials as its economic transition continues.

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THE FOREMAN OPINION

TOM FOREMAN

Maybe Donald Trump never made it down to Times Square in the old days, or wagered a dollar over a trio of ratty cards, or enjoyed coffee with a Wall Street hustler. But there is no way Trump has lived in New York this many years without meeting a flimflam artist. So his dismay over what he calls a "rigged" Republican nomination process seems naive at best — ridiculous at worst.

Politics is not all fair and aboveboard, you say? Stunning. Next you're going to tell me Manhattan is an island. Or that there is holding in the NBA.

Of course the game is fixed. The dice were loaded at Plymouth Rock. The cards were marked at Jefferson's kitchen table. This has infuriated voters for ages (except when it helps their candidate) and they have howled for someone to change the way insiders help their own while keeping outsiders … well, outside. In case you haven't noticed, Mr. Trump, this is one of the reasons many are turning to you. And if you walk around acting like a preacher at a peep show — shocked by the nastiness of it all — you hardly foster confidence.

Trump got his frock in a twist after Colorado Republicans did not conduct a statewide vote, but simply held precinct meetings to elect their delegates to the national convention. Every campaign knew the rules. But while Trump's team whined, Cruz worked the field and made off with all 34 pledged delegates.

I get that taking offense is part of Trump's act. And of course it is frustrating that the regulations are different from state to state, that they change at the last minute, and that in both of the big parties political bosses are tilting the scales. I even understand his surprise to some degree to being buffaloed in the West, because that old song says of New York "If I can make it there, I'll make it anywhere."

But that's just a tune. D.C. is its own kind of tough. My advice to any candidate who thinks this is a dirty game? Buck up. If you can't handle the feeling of being cheated on the trail, you could have a very hard time with the con artists on Capitol Hill.

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Lawsuit can proceed versus maker of gun used in Connecticut school shooting

Bushmaster AR-15 GETTY IMAGES

A lawsuit can proceed against the maker of the gun used in the 2012 shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School that left 20 children and six adults dead, a Connecticut judge ruled on Thursday.

Bushmaster, manufacturer of the AR-15 assault weapon used in the attack in Newtown, Connecticut, had asked a judge to dismiss the lawsuit, saying it was protected by a 2005 federal law blocking lawsuits against gunmakers when their products were used in the commission of crimes.

The lawsuit was filed in 2014 by the families of nine of the people who were killed.

Superior Court Judge Barbara Bellis declined to dismiss it, saying the gunmaker, a unit of Madison, North Carolina-based Freedom Group Inc, had not proven that the Protection of Lawful Commerce in Arms Act stopped her from hearing the case.

"The Superior Court has subject matter jurisdiction over a wrongful death action where the injury arose out of conduct by the defendants," Bellis wrote. "Any immunity that PLCAA may provide does not implicate this court's subject matter jurisdiction."

The lawsuit seeks unspecified financial damages. It argues that the legally purchased AR-15 used by Adam Lanza in the attack should never have been sold because it had no reasonable civilian purpose.

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Cedric the Entertainer returns to the role of Eddie, the grizzled and opinionated barber, in "Barbershop: The Next Cut." WARNER BROS. PICTURES

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Cedric the Entertainer wants to fix *Chicago*

THE FUN STARTS HERE

The "Barbershop: The Next Cut" star talks about the serious side of the new comedy.

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It wasn't hard for Cedric the Entertainer to get back in the groove of his "Barbershop: The New Cut" firebrand. Twelve years separate the new film from the original's 2004 sequel. But all the performer had to do to was put on the wig and once again he was Eddie: an old-timer who cuts hair in a South Side Chicago establishment run by Ice Cube's Calvin. But there was another reason to return to the franchise: Chicago has an epidemic of gang violence. That's just one of many issues the new comedy raises, all while being serious as well as hilarious.

On Eddie

Your character, Eddie, is one of the most opinionated in the group. Back when the first film came out, there was some controversy about jokes he made about Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. But it's not that the film itself was making fun of Rosa Parks or Martin Luther King Jr.

In a barbershop there are a lot of dissenting opinions. There's not a single way to think as a black person. A lot of times we're culturally put into this one group of having one opinion on everything. Eddie's been around a lot longer, and he's free to say what he's feeling. A lot of times there are traditions and you follow along without ever asking why you do it. Everyone does it because everyone else does it. This guy asks, "Why does everyone do it?" That's what I love about this character: He cuts through the norm and allows us to look at it from another perspective — even if it hurts sometimes.

A lot has changed since the last "Barbershop" movie. Given how much these films engage with what's going on in America, there are reasons this film should exist.

We didn't want to come back just to do another film — trash celebrities, joke about people. We thought it was important the movie had something to say. It's natural that it's about street violence going on in Chicago.

That becomes the main focus of the film. And it's not quiet about being eager to find a way to fix the problem.

You see parents forced to watch young kids who have so much reckless abandon and don't care about life. You see them destroy neighborhoods where people have raised families and built businesses. To be in fear of your own block and your own kids — somebody's got to say something. I love when Calvin [Ice Cube's character] says that grown people shouldn't be afraid to stand up and be grown. That's what the movie is about.

It's difficult to find real solutions. A lot of the bigger attempts to curb gang violence have failed.

Hopefully life will imitate art and people will see this film and be inspired to do small things in their community. You have to find people who are willing to fight for these young men who are out on the corner or riding around with guns in their cars. You need to have a conversation and solve it step-by-step. It's going to take a community effort.

Gang violence isn't the only issue in the film. It shows a barbershop that has evolved and become co-ed, with a lot of arguments about gender.

We talk about relationships and about the misogynistic image of the black male. We had Common and Eve's characters debate the idea that the woman being the bread winner makes the guy less of a man. It's not emasculating when your wife makes more money than you.

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"Barbershop: The Next Cut" reunites Ice Cube and national treasure Cedric the Entertainer. WARNER BROS. PICTURES

"Barbershop: The Next Cut"

Director: Malcolm D. Lee
Stars: Ice Cube, Cedric the Entertainer
Rating: PG-13
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Ideally there would be a new "Barbershop" every decade. That's not because they're great movies. They're not. But they are great (and very quotable) at taking the temperature of black America, especially when there's been a major cultural shift. The best parts of the franchise find characters who don't agree with each other arguing confidently, sometimes stubbornly over issues ripped from the headlines. Has the Obama era been a boon or a bust for most black Americans? Is gun ownership a liberty or a liability? How do you meaningfully stop inner city gang violence? Is "fleek" really a word?

There's no clean answer for any of this, no single agenda the movie is pushing. It's just about characters engaged in a dialogue that forever straddles the line between serious and joking. In "The Next Cut," the perhaps now absurdly packed house at Calvin's (Ice Cube) shop in South Side Chicago name-drop Michael Brown and Eric Garner, and the main thrust to an otherwise episodic, chatter-driven entry revolves around the gang epidemic currently plaguing the town onscreen and off.

This is a serious, righteously angry film. But it's also a film with constant jokes, that finds gallows humor in shootings and lynchings, and which even seems to pull a joke diss of #BlackLivesMatter. It's a warmer, gentler version of "Chi-Raq," although it's just as incensed. It sneaks real vitriol about an out-of-control problem into the mainstream in a movie about comedians cracking at length about how Obama probably has tail on the side. MATT PRIGGE

"The Jungle Book"

Director: Jon Favreau
Stars: Neel Sethi, Bill Murray (voice)
Rating: PG
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Jon Favreau's "The Jungle Book," starring Neel Sethi and a CGI leopard (voice of Ben Kingsley), has really terrific effects. DISNEY

Like Kenneth Branagh's live action "Cinderella," Disney's lavish redo of "The Jungle Book" doesn't need to exist. And yet they're both lovely anyway, even if all they do is hit all the same, deeply familiar beats.

Pairing first-rate CGI with deep feeling, Jon Favreau's remake hits all the favorites from the 1967 toon. Its Mowgli (a charming and believably boyish Neel Sethi) has a run-in with a snake (Scarlett Johansson), sings "The Bear Necessities" with new bear bro Baloo (Bill Murray), and is almost absconded with by mighty King Louie (Christopher Walken). All the while he's pursued by a homicidal tiger.

That villainous Shere Khan is scarier than he's ever been — not just voiced by Idris Elba but rocking a nasty burn scar and a dead eye — is the only major facelift Favreau makes. His changes are usually smaller, subtly adding up to a big deal. Bill Murray doesn't just do a Bill Murray Baloo; he makes him a touching screw-up afraid to fail his new pal. The many other animals who've helped raise Mowgli — Ben Kingsley's panther Bagheera, Lupita Nyong'o's wolf Raksha — all feel like flesh-and-blood characters.

It can be too perfect. Sometimes one may want Favreau to go off in more (or any) eccentric directions. "The Jungle Book" doesn't try to be anything more than a well-known story retold simply, but we're reminded even a painfully familiar tale can still bring the magic. MP

"Criminal"

Director: Ariel Vromen
Stars: Kevin Costner, Gal Gadot
Rating: R
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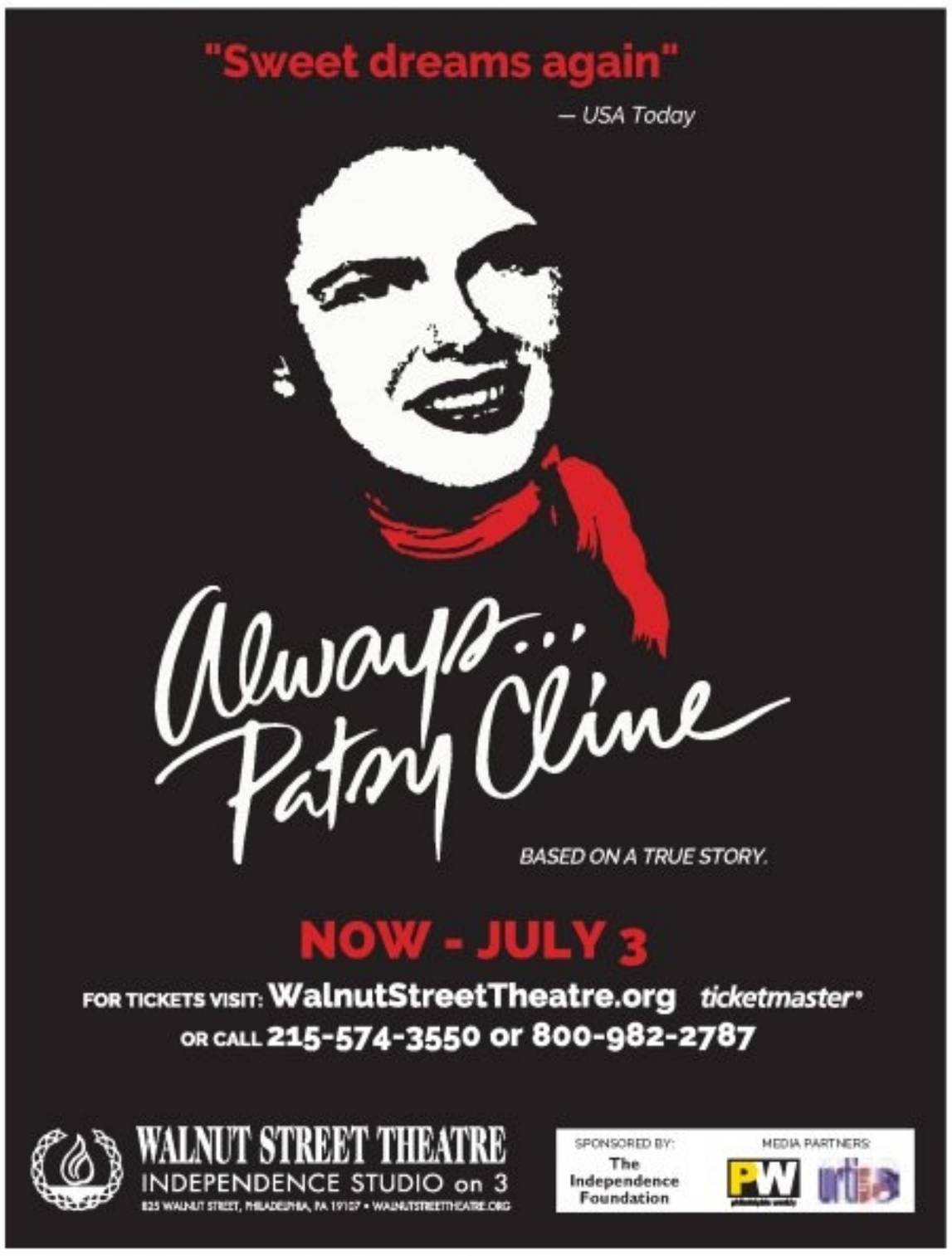
Kevin Costner plays a terrifying psycho in the very silly "Criminal." JACK ENGLISH

How do you screw up a movie in which Ryan Reynolds' brain is transferred into Kevin Costner — by Tommy Lee Jones? Constructed like a 'roided-up and self-serious "Bourne" knockoff, "Criminal" is actually as barking mad as its title is generic. Worse, only its aging, has-been star seems to know it.

Costner plays a man seriously named Jericho — a loose cannon psycho and lifetime prisoner who we're promised has a "total lack of empathy for anyone or anything." That's apparently why government officials thought he was the perfect candidate to be surgically gifted with the memories of a dead CIA agent (Reynolds, unbilled), whose brain contains intel that would thwart a global terrorist attack. Surprise! Jericho doesn't help them and escapes, only to find his mind's new and better half are slowly softening him, turning him into a hero (of sorts).

The "Costnerssance" has not been going well, with wasted opportunities ("3 Days to Kill") and choices bland ("McFarland, USA") and misjudged ("Black or White"). Costner's been committed, though. Snarling through what sounds like a nicotine-stained impersonation of Harvey Fierstein, the onetime Biggest Actor in the World in no way dulls Jericho's rough edges. Even when he's turning nice, he keeps him dangerous and magnetically unlikable — a monster who's scary even when he's ostensibly trying to save kids held at gunpoint. Whatever weirdo movie he's in is far more interesting than what's usually onscreen, or whatever else is clogging up multiplexes. MP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"Miles Ahead"

Director: Don Cheadle
Stars: Don Cheadle, Ewan McGregor
Rating: PG-13

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Don Cheadle (with Ewan McGregor) plays a late '70s Miles Davis not above whipping out his gun on A&R execs in "Miles Ahead." SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

The bar is set so low for biopics that one can flip over Don Cheadle's Miles Davis movie just because it's out-there. And "Miles Ahead" is really out-there. Not only does most of it take place in 1978, deep into the jazz legend's hiatus/drug stretch, but there's also a car chase, a shoot-out and a coda where Cheadle's Davis plays on stage in 2015 with a jacket sporting a hashtag. "If you want to tell a story, come with some attitude." Davis says in the opening minutes. He says it twice, just to underline that he's talking about the film itself and its renegade m.o.

But there's more to this than shtick. Yes, instead of The Miles Davis Story, we get a rollicking, comedic sorta-thriller. One normal wasted day, Davis is greeted by a shady Rolling Stone journo, Dave Brill (Ewan McGregor), on his doorstep. "I'm here to write your comeback story!" he enthuses. Then Davis punches him in the face. But Dave grows on him, sort of, just in time for Davis to run afoul of a slimy A&R man (Michael Stuhlbarg), whose hired goons have absconded with a stolen tape of sessions that may or may not become his first record in five years. Hence the car chase.

There are screaming matches, even a spousal beating, but "Miles Ahead" isn't out to remind us what a sonofab— he was offstage. Cheadle avoids this, even as he depicts a real low-point in the genius' life. His Davis is down and out, not working, can barely toot a trumpet anymore — and that's how he likes it. He's happy as a pig in s—: pulling guns out on execs; snapping at beloved jazz DJ Phil Schaap on the air for playing the overrated-to-him "Kind of Blue"; deploying a potentially Guinness-level number of "motherf—ers." Cheadle makes not being nice hilarious, even endearing.

How much "Miles Ahead" actually has to say about Davis himself is debatable — but it definitely has plenty to say about how artists wrestle with their past work, their careers and their alleged responsibility to keep at the job of creation. We've been trained to think of artists, especially geniuses, as Midas types, though we tend to only go batty over a handful of works, and from a slim period of their entire career yet. Untold musicians crank out gobs of work after their prime, though only a few patrons bother to keep up. "Miles Ahead" is a fun anti-biopic, but it's most vital as a portrait of the artist who's happy, for once, not to be an artist. MATT PRIGGE

"The First Monday in May"

Director: Andrew Rossi
Genre: Documentary
Rating: PG-13

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Curator Andrew Bolton fusses over one of the pieces in last year's Met gala "China: Through the Looking Glass" in the doc "The First Monday in May." MAGNOLIA PICTURES

Fashion documentaries are virtually a Netflix category by now, and most of them feature Anna Wintour. Titles like "The September Issue," "Dior & I" and Albert Maysles' "Iris" offer plenty of dress- and celeb-gawking. But they're also, often enough, rigorous and patient looks at the process of creation. In the case of "The First Monday in May," the work being willed into being is a true behemoth: the Metropolitan Museum of Art's annual, lavish, star-studded spring exhibition, namely last year's near-problematic "China: Through the Looking Glass."

Trailing the harried eight-month lead-up to the big event, "May" offers plenty of hang-time with Wintour as well as guest artistic director Wong Kar-wai, whose film "In the Mood for Love" is both a devastating masterpiece and, apparently, a biggie with fashionistas. But its real star is Andrew Bolton, the Met's mousy and fastidious costume curator. Quietly nit-picking every crease, Bolton tirelessly plans the museum's transformation into a relentless eyesore of beautiful frocks. He also endlessly frets that the show could simply reinforce old school orientalism, as seen in classic Hollywood films, even those starring America's first Asian movie star, Anna May Wong. Bolton tries to ensure it creates a bridge between the East and West, not a one-way street. Whether they succeed or just convinced themselves they did is another issue.

Director Andrew Rossi made his name with "Page One: Inside the New York Times," which helped turn journos David Carr and Brian Stelter into nonfiction movie stars. Bolton is as magnetic as they are — someone who's always working, always thinking and creating work in which the creator's hand is, ultimately, invisible. By the time we've arrived at the big night, it's clear the revelers — Bradley Cooper, Rihanna and her mile-long gown, Justin Bieber posing beside a Commie uniform — are idly enjoying the fruits of far too much labor. It's a behind-the-scenes peep that tacitly argues that not only is fashion art but so, if you will, are fashion shows. MP

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Still on holiday

The Dandy Warhols' Peter Holmström on the band's 10th album and what keeps them coming back for more.

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You'll find some throwback-sounding tracks on the Dandy Warhols' latest album, "Distortland," out now. SCOTT GREEN

Some songs endure because of a catchy hook or a memorable chorus. And while the Dandy Warhols' "Bohemian Like You" can certainly claim both, their breezy tune about working at a vegan restaurant, casual hookups and inconvenient roommates also has the rare distinction of being even more relevant today than when it was written.

Since it came out in 2000, hipsters went from being a punchline, particularly at the expense of the band's hometown Portland, Oregon, to making beards a familiar sight in boardrooms. Many people and critics took the Dandys' famously laid-back vibe as suburban ennui, with Consequence of Sound even describing "Bohemian Like You" as "a stinging indictment of bougie hipster culture." As guitarist for the band since their first album in 1995, "Dandys Rule OK," Peter Holmström says that couldn't be further from the truth.

"Oh, it's totally sincere," he says of the sentiment behind the song. "It wasn't hipster culture back then — it was just the sort of weird little neighborhood that [lead singer] Courtney [Taylor-Taylor] lived in that he was trying to write a song about."

And for that matter, he adds, it's worth remembering who's doing the labeling: "Kids are always gonna be doing something, and the generation older is always gonna be calling them something."

Fifteen years later, the Dandy Warhols are back with their 10th album, "Distortland." Holmström sees it as a continuation of their most recent, darker effort "This Machine," but longtime fans will be happy to hear it occasionally veers away from that vibe all the way back to the fun-in-the-sun feeling of their biggest hit, "Thirteen Tales from Urban Bohemia," especially on the tracks "Catcher in the Rye" and "STYGGO."

Holmström says they've known that one would resonate even before the album came out. "We've been playing that one for over a year now, and before people had ever heard it, when Courtney would start strumming those chords they'd cheer. They have no idea what's gonna happen next, but they like it!"

Whatever it makes listeners feel, Holmström hopes it takes them a step out of the real world. "For me, music has always just been kind of an escape. You listen to something and just forget where you are, forget what's going on around you and sort of just disappear," he explains. "I always want our records to do that for people, 'cause it's not that many other bands' records that do that for me."

Along the 20-plus years they've been a band, every member has dabbled in their own projects, but they keep coming back to the Dandy Warhols — and sold-out crowds. So what keeps them together?

"It's the chemistry between all four of us onstage — that does not exist in the same way with other bands," says Holmström.

"With every other project I'm been involved in, it's been way more of a struggle to have any sort of chemistry like we do. I know that's what keeps me coming back."

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Cooking time: 20-30 minutes
Attributes: pork
Calories: 705 kcal/person
Allergens: milk, egg
Added fat: 2 tbsp of oil

What we send
- ¾ cup black quinoa (5 oz)
- 3 oz thick cut bacon (3 slices)
- 1 pint Sungold tomatoes
- 1 romaine heart (8 oz)
- 1 small shallot (1-2 oz)
- 1 Tbsp rice vinegar (0.5 oz)
- 1 lemon
- 1½ oz comté
- fresh parsley (0.5 oz)

What you need
- olive oil
- coarse salt
- freshly ground pepper
- 1 large egg

Equipment
- 2 small saucepans
- large skillet
- rimmed baking sheet

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Directions:

1 Cook quinoa
Rinse quinoa in a fine mesh sieve. Place in a small saucepan with 1 ¼ cups water and a pinch salt. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to simmer and cover. Cook until quinoa is tender and water is absorbed, 15-18 minutes.

2 Cook bacon & boil egg
Meanwhile, cook bacon in a large skillet over medium heat, turning occasionally, until crisp, 5-7 minutes. Drain on paper towels and break into bite-size pieces; reserve fat and skillet. Place egg in a small saucepan and cover with 1 inch cold water. Bring to a boil, remove from heat and cover. Let sit, covered, 10 minutes. Peel under cool running water.

3 Char vegetables
Preheat broiler with rack in the top position. Place tomatoes on half of a rimmed baking sheet and toss with 1 tablespoon oil, broil tomatoes until they start to burst, about three minutes. Halve romaine heart lengthwise and place next to tomatoes. Drizzle with 1 tablespoon oil, return to the oven and broil until lightly charred, about four minutes. Let cool, then roughly chop lettuce.

4 Make dressing
Meanwhile, halve, peel and finely chop shallot. Return bacon fat to medium-high heat. Add shallot, season with salt and saute until translucent, about two minutes. Remove from heat and add vinegar. Halve lemon and squeeze into skillet. Season with salt and pepper and stir to combine.

5 Prep salad ingredients
Break comté into small pieces and pick parsley leaves from stems. Chop boiled egg.

6 Assemble & serve
Transfer quinoa to a platter and top with chopped romaine, charred tomatoes, comte, hard boiled egg, bacon and parsley. Drizzle all with dressing, a little olive oil, and season with salt and pepper. Enjoy!

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Velasquez's 16-strikeout shutout makes Phillies (and baseball) history

The Phillies pitching staff is on fire as they lift the Phillies back to .500.

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In case you were too busy arguing with your friends about whether the 1996 Bulls are better than the 73-9 2016 Warriors, or doing something outside on a beautiful Thursday afternoon, the Phillies made a little history that you should know about.

Forget the fact that they are back at .500 at 5-5, won their series with the Padres, 3-1, and are boasting one of the best pitching rotations (if not the best) in all of baseball through a week and a half.

And pay little mind to the fact that Ryan Howard had two RBIs in the Phillies 3-0 win against San Diego to close the series.

Just make sure you remember the name Vincent Velasquez. He's the first Phillie to have 25 combined strikeouts in his first two starts in Philly since Jim Bunning did it in 1964. And Bunning was an All-Star when he first arrived.

Velasquez is a rookie.

"You really have to lock in," the 23-year-old pitcher said on Comcast Sportsnet after tossing a ridiculous 16 punchouts in his first MLB shutout. "Mixed emotions run through your mind. It's just one of those feelings where you have to follow through, in that last inning you have to go in there and finish strong."

The hurler has never been in a game this late before. And Phillies manager Pete Mackanin was on the fence about sending him out for the ninth.

"'Are you sure you're good?'" Velasquez said Mackanin asked him.

"'I'm good, I'm good, get me out there I'm good,'" Velasquez told CSN was his reply.

Trotting back out to the hill (following three strikeouts in the eighth) Velasquez wrung up two more, joining Steve Carlton, Cliff Lee and Curt Schilling as the only Phillies to throw 16 or more strikeouts in a game.

"I am just trying to follow their tradition," Velasquez, the centerpiece of the trade that sent Ken Giles to the Astros, said. "The Phillies had a good pitching staff back then and I am trying to repeat that here –get it back on track."

The hurler's 101st pitch hit 97 mph, and he induced 27 swings and misses.

All in all, for those who like advanced analytics, the three-hitter earned a game score of 97.

According to MLB.com's Andrew Simon, Velasquez is the fifth-youngest hitter in major league history to strike out 14 while walking none. He joins Dwight Gooden, Kerry Wood, Jose Fernandez and Vida Blue.

Vincent Velasquez barely made the Phillies' 25-man roster as the team's fifth starter after a strong spring training. GETTY IMAGES

Nationals could stop Phils' big 'mo'

The Phillies and their pitching staff are on fire, having won five of their last six games.

But three games against the NL East leading (and favored) Nationals could put a quick end to their momentum.

Friday, at 7 p.m. Jeremy Hellickson will face Joe Ross. Gio Gonzalez and Max Scherzer are also slated to pitch in the three-game set.

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C036 - LANDAU, Elias • D035 - Murray, Aisha • D046 - Karamichalakos, Amani
D050 - Malone, Timothy • D068 - Teagle, Garry • D100 - LANDAU, Elias
D219 - Borjeson, Eric • D299 - Crescenzo, Michael • E107 - Hand, Darrol

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C537 - Robinson, Carmen • C628 - Wise, Asia • C643 - Perkins, Sarita
F1110 - Regusters, Cheryl • F1146 - Payne, Saleem • G1304 - Jordan, David

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Don't call Phillies' Gomez the team's closer — you might jinx it

The Phillies have a solution for their ninth-inning woes — they hope.

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Jeanmar Gomez could be on a hot streak and cool down quickly. Or he could be the team's bona fide closer. GETTY IMAGES

When Jeanmar Gomez takes the field, it's usually at the start of the ninth inning and all but one of his five appearances have been with the Phillies holding a small lead.

Yet, don't call him the closer, at least that's what manager Pete Mackanin is avoiding at this point in the season.

"He's making it look easy," Mackanin said on Tuesday. "I don't want to jinx Gomez."

The thought process is quite simple: The manager doesn't want the pressure that comes with being a closer to get to Gomez just yet — even though every indication points to him holding that title. Throughout spring training, especially toward the end and then through the first few games of the regular season, the relievers were getting knocked around and handing out free passes.

Mackanin believes it had to do with the competition and the players "pressing" just a bit.

"The uncertainty of roles had something to do with [the struggles]," Mackanin said. "Nobody stepped up during spring training and rose above the pack. I think everybody felt a lot of pressure to impress."

While no one individual may have stepped up then, it's becoming obvious that Gomez is taking this unlabeled role of his and running with it. The 28-year-old is 4 for 4 in save opportunities, a mark that puts him just behind Washington's Jonathan Papelbon (5) for most in the league.

Even more impressive, Gomez had appeared in 423 innings in the six years prior to this season and recorded just one save back.

"He's certainly making a statement and making a case for himself," Mackanin said. "He seems to show a lot of poise in that role. Last year he was probably overworked because of the situation we were in."

Gomez can attest to the situation he was in last year, appearing in a whopping 65 games in his first season in Philadelphia. Prior to that, the most outings he ever made in a single season were 44 in 2014.

His play has been the bright spot for a bullpen that has quickly turned things around since being shelled for 15 runs in their first eight innings of work. Since then, the unit has made a complete 180.

"These guys are doing a really good job," Gomez said. "We're trying to stay together and speak more during the game and focus more."

Whatever they're doing differently, it's working, and Gomez has been rewarding his fellow relievers' turnaround with success in the ninth inning.

When Gomez gets the call and takes the jog out to the mound, the sound of House of Pain's "Jump Around" echoes through Citizens Bank Park. It's a song that is played generically because as of now, Gomez hasn't been asked to pick a song. That's something reserved for the Phillies' official closer.

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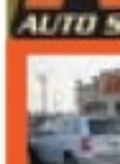
After Snider's passing, who is in charge of the Flyers?

The Flyers hockey management team will remain intact as the team looks to honor its late founder's memory.



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The Flyers will wear patches to help honor their beloved founder. GETTY IMAGES

Ed Snider founded the Flyers almost 50 years ago and is the only owner the team has ever had.

So after the beloved Philadelphia figure passed away Monday, what will change in the structure of the Flyers' ownership?

Well according to Comcast-Spectacor's Ike Richman, not much.

"We all have the same passion and winning edge that Ed Snider did," Richman, VP of public relations at Comcast-Spectacor, said. "We want to keep things just they way they were on Ed's behalf and I think you'll see that when we take the ice against Washington Thursday."

Snider was the Chairman of Comcast-Spectacor, the company that managed the Flyers (and owns about 24 percent of the team). Comcast owns the rest.

On the hockey side of things, Paul Holmgren is the team's president, and remains as such and Ron Hextall is the team's GM. Both answer to Comcast-Spectacor's president and CEO David Scott.

In many instances, team's ownership shares are passed down to family members, but that is not the case here. There are no plans to name a new chairman, nor does the company plan to make any changes in the near future.

With such a strong and long-tenured owner like Snider, the pieces are and have been in place for the team to continue on its course without any big changes necessary.

The Flyers were able to earn the last playoff spot in the NHL's Eastern Conference before Snider's Monday passing, and plan to dedicate the rest of their season, however long it lasts, to "Mr. Snider."

"We're pretty glad we were able to make the playoffs for him," Claude Giroux said Monday. "The whole year, we were playing for him. That's not gonna change for the playoffs. The best thing we can do right now is play as hard as we can. We know it's not going to be easy against a good team, but we know he'll be watching and he'll be cheering us on."

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I. The Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) will conduct public hearings in the SEPTA Board Room at SEPTA Headquarters, 1234 Market Street, Mezzanine Level, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19107, at 11:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., on Monday, May 2, 2016. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the Authority's proposed Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Budget and Fiscal Years 2017-2028 Capital Program and the projects contained therein for which financial assistance is being sought. The total amount of federal and state funds to be received in Fiscal Year 2017 will be determined at the completion of the federal and state budget processes. SEPTA proposes to submit to its funding agencies a program of projects for funding consideration. SEPTA's final federal Section 5307 Program of Projects will be made available through the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and in conjunction with the DVRPC's Public Involvement Process for the TIP.

II. At the hearings, SEPTA will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic and environmental aspects of the projects. Interested persons may submit orally, or in writing, evidence and recommendations. Speakers for the morning and evening sessions must register by 12:30 PM and 5:30 PM, respectively, on the day of the Public Hearings.

III. Persons wishing to file written comments may forward them to the Director of Capital Budget and Grant Development, 9th Floor, 1234 Market Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3780. Comments must be received by May 5, 2016, so that they may be forwarded to the Hearing Examiner. Comments may also be sent via email to capbudget@septa.org.

IV. Individuals in need of a sign language interpreter should contact the Director of the Capital Budget and Grant Development Department, at the address listed above by April 18, 2016.

V. An audio version of the public hearing notice and summary will be available through the Associated Services for the Blind's website at www.asb.org and at the office of the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, 919 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107.

VI. On or about April 1, 2016, members of the public may obtain a copy of the proposed Capital Budget and Program at SEPTA's website www.septa.org or by requesting, in writing, a copy from the Director of the Capital Budget and Grant Development Department at the address listed above.

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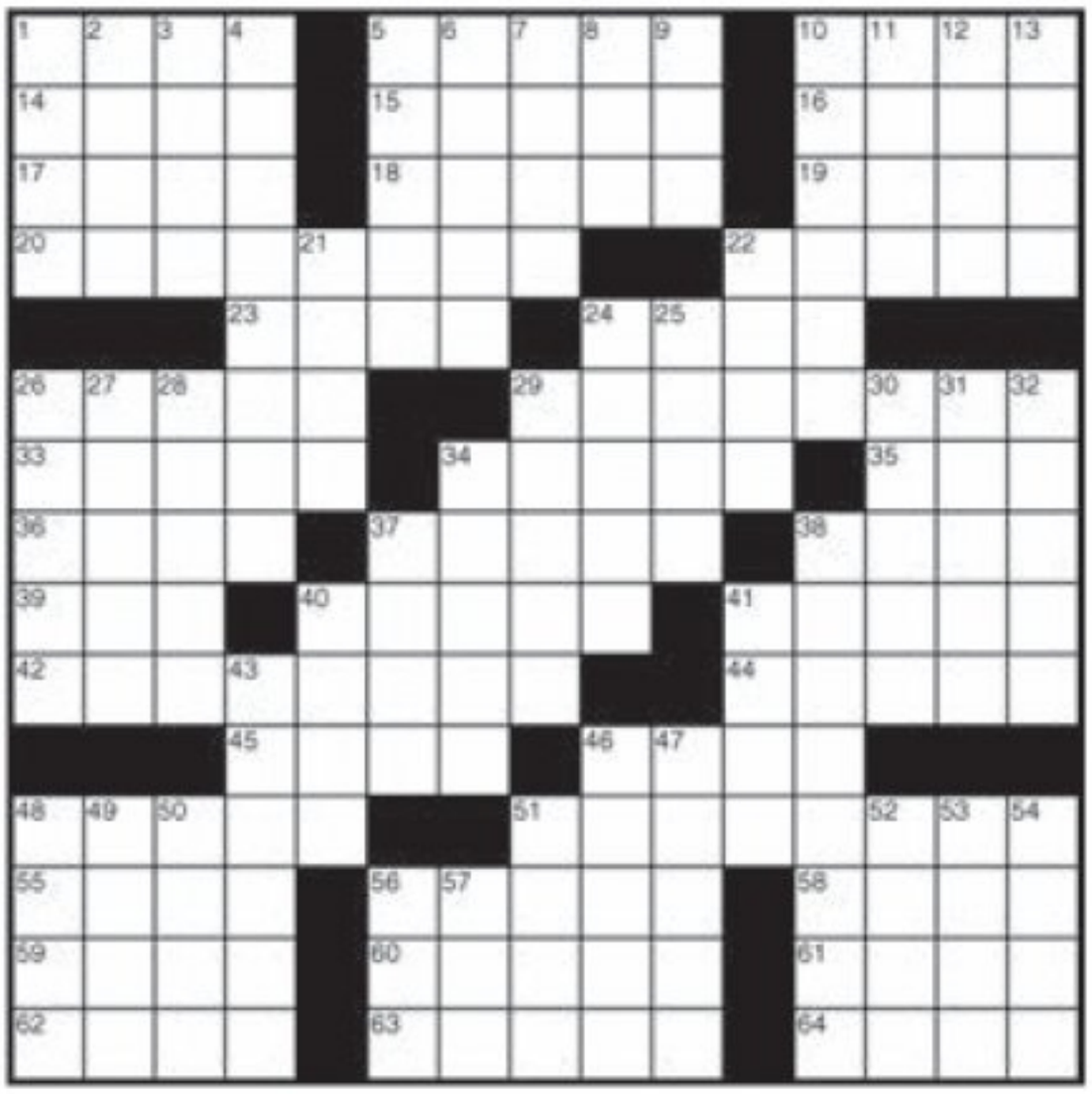

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Aries Socializing, brief vacations and business trips look promising. Someone from a different background will give you an interesting perspective on an old concept.

Taurus You must be cautious when dealing with emotional issues. Someone will not see things your way, leading to an unexpected decision that will alter your plans.

Gemini Don't let anger take charge. Use your energy to take care of physical chores. If you hold a garage sale, you'll make a little money and get rid of clutter.

Cancer Impulse is the enemy. Take precautions around anyone who appears confused or unpredictable. Don't give in to someone for love's sake if it's not in your best interest.

Leo Look for adventure. Embrace a challenge and make romance a priority. Plan a fun-filled weekend with people who offer the mental and physical stimulation you crave.

Virgo Use your head and put your plans in motion, even if you have to do so alone. Your practical, no-nonsense attitude will help you reach your destination.

Libra Follow your heart and make a commitment that will keep you heading in the direction that makes the most sense to you. A romantic celebration will be just what the doctor ordered.

Scorpio Share your ideas and plans. Your vision will interest someone who has the qualities you require to reach your goal. Don't give too much away. Make a fair offer.

Sagittarius Don't hide your plans. If someone doesn't like what you are doing, it would be best to address his or her concerns openly so that you are free to move forward without interference.

Capricorn Do what you can to help others, but don't get involved in joint ventures, make donations or lend cash or possessions. Offer advice, direction and helpful connections, nothing more.

Aquarius Check out the job market. Getting together with people you have worked or played with in the past will spark an interest in something you have to offer.

Pisces A partnership will give you the edge you need to get a project running. If you share your ideas and are open to suggestions, success will be yours. EUGENIA LAST

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